## **HOUSE BILL 699**

## By McCord

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 68, Chapter 11, relative to health facilities and resources

## BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

it.

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 68-11-310(b), is amended by adding the following new sentence at the end of the subsection:

In no event shall the department of health authorize the reporting of a hospital's statistics for less than a full twelve (12) month period unless the hospital was not open during the entire twelve (12) month period. Any hospital that is open for less than the full twelve (12) month period shall report for the entire period of its operation.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring